(i) supporting the urban poor for setting up micro enterprises in all urban settlements;

(ii) provision of wage employment through creation of socially useful public assets in the jurisdiction of urban local bodies having (a) population below 20,000 and (b) population between 20,000 and 1 lakh;

(iii) provision of employment through housing and shelter upgradation for settlements having a population between 1 lakh and 20 lakhs.

During the year 1989-90 the Government of India has made a provision of Rs. 150 crores for the Nehru Rozgar Yojana. State Governments/ Local Bodies are expected to contribute Rs. 68 crores. This would enable institutional finance to the extent of Rs. 364 crores to be availed of from Scheduled banks and HUDCO. Besides, housing finance available from banks and HUDCO for economically weaker sections to the extent of Rs. 68 crores could also be tapped for the Programme.

2. The Jawahar Rozgar Yojana aims at providing wage employment to the rural poor. Under Nehru Rozgar Yojana also there is a wage employment component for settlements below 1 lakh population. The sharing of expenditure between the Centre and State Governments under Nehru Rozgar Yojana is the same as under the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana i.e. 80:20. In the case of settlements below 20 thousand population, the materials labour ratio is 50:50 just as in Jawahar Rozgar Yojana. However, in the case of settlements between 20,000 and 1 lakh population, the material labour ratio provided is 60:40. In both the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana and Nehru Rozgar Yojana the wages payable would be the prevailling minimum wage applicable to the area. Under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana there is a provision for wages to be paid partly in foodgrains. There is no such provision under Nehru Rozgar Yojana where wages are paid entirely in cash.

Financial Assistance to Group Housing Societies

573. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Co-operative Group Housing Societies in Delhi registered during the last three years;

(b) the number of houses and plots constructed by these societies during this period; and

(c) whether any amount and financial assistance had been given by Government to those societies and if so, the detail thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) 8.

(b) and (c) One society, namely Swayam Sidha Coop. Group Housing Society Ltd. has started construction of 238 flats as a demonstration project under the International Year of Shelter for the homeless. As informed by the society, Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) have extended financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 18,48,000/-.

Setting up of National Wheat Board

@573A. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of federations have suggested to Government for the setting up of National Wheat Board to look into the problems of wheat development relating to its milling and processing etc.;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

@Previously unstarred question 320, transferred from the 28th December, 1989